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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 2614  
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 09812.0399-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Yoshio SASAKI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2614  
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Application No.: 10/773,477 ) Examiner: Joseph SAUNDERS Jr.  
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Filed: February 6, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 7046  
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For: AUDIO PLAYBACK APPARATUS, )  
AUDIO PLAYBACK METHOD, ) **Mail Stop: AF**  
AND PROGRAM )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 21, 2009, the period for response to which extends through April 21, 2009, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.